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1. Chinese Communist authorities held a conference in Peiping to discuss taking over church property and the administration of Christian organizations which have been receiving funds from the United States. The meeting was attended by Chinese Christian leaders of Shanghai as follows: WU Yao-tung (吳耀宗), HSIEH Sung-san (謝頌三), CHU Ch'en-t'iao (朱晨條), LI P'ei-en (李培恩), CHIN Yen-ch'ing (金鑑育), CHANG Po-huai (張伯懷), T'U Yu-ch'ing (涂羽卿), CHIA Yu-ming (賈玉銘), YU Shu-hsun (尤樹勳), and CHU Kuei-shen (竺規身).

2. these leaders called a meeting at the Moore Memorial Church, Tibet and Hankow Roads, Shanghai, which was attended by about 500 important officials in Shanghai. The following decisions came from this meeting:

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- a. The Chinese Communist flag and a picture of MAO Tse-tung must be placed in all Christian churches in China.
- b. All church services must stress the need for aiding North Korea and opposing the United States.

3. CHOU Li-hsing (周力行), director of the Religious Affairs Department of the Shanghai Government, was attempting to assist pro-Communist Christians in Shanghai to organize a Chinese Christians' Resist American and aid Korea movement.

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